



*We are a body of believers
called by the Holy Spirit
transformed by the Gospel to enjoy and glorify God
as we proclaim the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ.*

Sunday, August 30, 2020

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Saule Garcia

PRELUDE

Janice Bradshaw

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ben

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Janice Bradshaw

*Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship,
and reflect on Habakkuk 2:20,*

*“But the LORD is in his holy temple;
let all the earth keep silence before him.”*

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Ben

Psalm 95:1-2

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

People: **Let us make a joyful noise
to the rock of our salvation!**

Leader: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

All: **Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF ADORATION

Congregation

***The God of Abraham Praise** (Hymn #34, vs 1, 2, 3, 6)
(Olivers, Jewish melody arr. Lyon)*

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Ruling Elder Ian Achterkirch

James 1:22-24

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ian Achterkirch

Leader: Almighty God, we come to you very aware that we are sinners
who have failed to do what you have commanded us in your Word.

*Worship begins
where spiritual
life begins - with
God's call.
Appropriately,
we respond with
prayers and
songs of
adoration.*

*God's law
reveals God's
righteous
requirement. We
confess our
failure to keep
God's law, and
joyfully receive
the good news
of what God has
done for us in
Christ.*

✦ *Please stand if able*

People: We know that it is not enough to be hearers of your Word,
but that we must be doers of the Word.
Despite knowing this, too often we have been pleased
to be a law to ourselves,
giving in to our selfish desires,
rather than obeying your Word.

Leader: Father, our great hope is that you have sent your Son
to redeem us from our sin,
and you have sent your Holy Spirit
to empower us to obey your law.
Grant that we would obey your Word with renewed energy
as an expression of our devotion to you,
and hear our silent prayers of personal confession...

silent confession of personal sin

Amen.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Ian Achterkirch

Romans 8:38-39

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things
present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else
in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus
our Lord.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Ian Achterkirch

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

✦ SONG OF THANKSGIVING

O Church Arise
(Getty, Townend)

Congregation

SCRIPTURE READING

Esther 6:1-14

Pastor Ben

SERMON

God's Presence in Coincidences

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF RESPONSE

His Mercy is More
(Boswell, Papa)

Congregation

✦ BENEDICTION

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF BLESSING

Gloria Patri (Hymn #735)
(Traditional 2nd century text, Greatorex)

Congregation

POSTLUDE

Saule Garcia

*We are called to
be faithful
stewards of
God's Word.
Therefore, we
eagerly and
unashamedly
read and
proclaim the
whole counsel of
Scripture.*

*Having received
God's blessing,
we depart
blessing the
name of the
Lord*

Sermon Notes

God's Presence in Coincidences

August 30, 2020

Esther 6:1-14

Prayer

Pray for Our Church

Fall Kick Off - Pray that our fall classes and activities will be fruitful and that we will bring glory to God in all that we say and do.

Pray for Our Congregation

Virginia Faries - complete healing following lung surgery

Rose Gregory - strength and healing following surgery

Lizzy Musima - successful treatment of high iron deficiency anemia

Shelley Steagall - full recovery following surgery and improved use of her left hand and arm

Rick Toothman - healing from infection in his leg

Pray for Our Military and First Responders

Peter Achterkirch, Army, Georgia

Christian Cory, Army, New York

Chris Dietz, Navy, Kingsville, Texas

Shawn Maya, Spring Fire Department

Pray for Our College Students

Charlotte Achterkirch, Samford University

Ian Allan, Calvin University

Zach Allan, Tarleton State University

Austin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Justin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Jacob Kerr, Texas A&M University

Matthew Kooiman, Olivet Nazarene University

Rebekah Kooiman, Abilene Christian University

Aaron Lewis, Texas Tech University

Lauren Steagall, University of Houston

AJ Tousha, Lone Star College

Pray for Families and Friends

Rita Rivera's sister and nephew, *Juanita & Stephen* - Stephen has returned home after being hospitalized.

Pray for peace and strength for Juanita as she cares for him.

Jim & Mary Spiritosanto's daughter, *Rebecca Cooper* - healing of kidney disease (stage 5), strength while awaiting a kidney transplant, wisdom and direction regarding her son donating one of his kidneys

Pray for our Expectant Mothers

Jess McGlothlin due in October

Ashley Lin due in November

Pray for our August Missionaries

Julian Zugg, Provost and International English Director, MINTS

Brooks Harwood, Campus Minister, RUF at University of Houston

Paul Miller, Texas Regional Director, Metanoia Prison Ministries, PCA Mission to North America

Derek & Shannon Ebbers, PCA Mission to the World, Romania

General Information

To our visitors: welcome! We're so glad you're here today.

- Stop by the Visitor's Center in the Narthex for a free gift!
- Please complete a connect/prayer card located in the pew in front of you.

If you do not have a Bible of your own, please take one of the pew Bibles home with you today.

To see how our church participates in the global cause for Christ, check out the touch-screen monitor in the Narthex

Restrooms are located in the narthex.

To learn more about us and our ministries, visit our website, springcypresschurch.com

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Parents of Young Children:

- A cry room, located on the piano side of the sanctuary, is available for mothers with infants.

Giving at SCPC:

We present our offerings as an act of worship, expressing our thankfulness for God's provision, our trust for God to meet all our needs, and our desire to be used of God for the furtherance of His kingdom on earth.

If you would like to give via **check**, please make your check payable to SCPC. **Online giving** is available at springcypresschurch.com/give. **Text** any amount to **84321** to give (standard message and data rates may apply).

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